

Japanese are smarter than we are? You mean the Danes are smarter than we are? You mean the people in Iceland are somehow more technologically advanced than Americans? That is nuts. Yet right now the White House has taken this position of surrender to these other countries that are leading us in these new technologies. I appreciate your words of optimism because I believe they are the right ones. I want to thank the gentleman from New Jersey for his comments.

Mr. Speaker, to summarize here and comment, we have been talking about a disappointing aspect of our American public policy. The disappointment is that on a whole host of issues, the leader of the free world, the administration that has the capability of rallying this Nation to tremendous positive change from an environmental perspective, the administration that has within itself the ability to adopt rules to try to reduce kids from having asthma, is going the wrong way. The administration that has the ability to reduce the amount of arsenic and selenium and cyanide in our drinking water is going the wrong way. The administration that has the ability to assure that the last one-third of our national forests that have not been clear-cut so our grandkids will be able to see those forests some day is going the wrong way.

The administration that has the ability to lead the world to deal with this problem of climate change so that we can keep this general system as we have it, the way we grew up, so that it rains when it should and it gets cold when it should, is going the wrong way. The administration that has the ability to make sure that mines do not leak toxic substances is going in the wrong way. The administration that has the ability to make sure that our Superfund site rules, so that you do not have to pay for the toxics in the soil that get the cleanup, the polluters have got to pay for it, is going the wrong way. The administration that has the ability to get our cars to be some modest level, better efficiency to save us money and save the environment is going the wrong way. It is a sad story to have to say this today, because we are a great, optimistic, and creative people and we have the ability, the heart and the desire to leave this planet as good as it was when we were born.

I stand here today to say that this House should join the U.S. Senate and the administration to go forward on the environment rather than backwards, and this administration is going to turn on a dime and go 180 degrees different from where it is going right now, which is backwards on the environment. I urge anybody that feels the way I do to take every step you can to see to it that we go that way.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FERGUSON). Pursuant to clause 12 of

rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 12 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DREIER) at 9 o'clock and 22 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3762, PENSION SECURITY ACT OF 2002

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 107-396) on the resolution (H. Res. 386) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3762) to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional protections to participants and beneficiaries in individual account plans from excessive investment in employer securities and to promote the provision of retirement investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets, and to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit insider trades during any suspension of the ability of plan participants or beneficiaries to direct investment away from equity securities of the plan sponsor, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

CORRECTION TO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD OF APRIL 9, 2002 AT PAGE H1149

6045. A letter from the Governor and Secretary of State, Office of the Governor, Carson City, Nevada, transmitting a Notice of Disapproval of the site designation of Yucca Mountain in Nevada as the nation's high level nuclear waste repository; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; received April 8, 2002.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. SKELTON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. DEUTSCH, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. MCKINNEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. WATSON of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENGEL, for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CARSON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SKELTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, April 11, 2002, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6120. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Streamlining of the Emergency Farm Loan Program Loan Regulations (RIN: 0560-AF72) received April 3, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6121. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Increase in Fees for Voluntary Federal Seed Testing and Certification Services and Establishment of a Fee for Preliminary Test Reports [Docket Number LS-01-07] received March 15, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6122. A letter from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the 2001 Annual Report of the National Credit Union Administration, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1256; to the Committee on Financial Services.

6123. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Department's final rule—Requirements for Arthur Andersen LLP Auditing Clients (RIN: 3235-A146) received March 19, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6124. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting a proposed joint resolution that would approve, pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, the President's recommendation of February 15, 2002 that the Yucca Mountain site be designated as the location for a potential repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6125. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Paint Production Wastes; Land Disposal Restrictions for Newly Identified Wastes; and CERCLA Hazardous Substance Designation and Reportable Quantities; Final Determination [SWH-FRL-7167-8] (RIN: 2050-AB32) received April 3, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6126. A letter from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, Agency For International Development, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6127. A letter from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting a copy of the annual report in